GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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REFORMS IN RETAIL SECTOR
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring reforms in multi-brand retail sector to improve its performance and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has issued any dire- ctions stipulating the companies involved in this business to purchase materials worth atleast 30 per cent of their total sales from the Small and Micro industries,if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the mechanism put in place to ensure compliance of the said stipulation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a): There is at present no such proposal under consideration.

(b) & (c): Yes Madam. This provision for multi brand retail sector has been included in the existing Foreign Direct Investment Policy notified on April 17, 2014. To ensure comp- liance, the Policy also allows self certifi- cation by companies subject to cross checking as and when required.